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TODAY is the most fateful date in the history of South Africa since the end of the Anglo-Boer War and the signing of the Union of South Africa.

The issue being decided upon by referendum today is whether the Union is to continue as a Dominion or whether it is to become a Republic. The question would be a comparatively simple one, were it not for three major factors. First, the future of the country is being decided upon by only 1,000,000 of its close to 13,000,000 inhabitants, since only the white population totalling under 3,000,000 is being allowed to vote. Secondly, there is the question of whether the republic, if it is voted in, will wish — or be allowed — to remain within the British Commonwealth. Thirdly, it is questionable whether, in the present post-Sherpeville and post-Congo era, this was a suitable time to have forced through an issue considered so highly controversial in South Africa.

The Netherlands-born Prime Minister, Dr. Verwoerd who is more Boer than the descendants of the Voortrekkers, has moderated his public statements (if not his innermost thoughts) of late. In a major policy speech in July he announced that as far as membership in the Commonwealth was concerned, the government would act in the best interests of South Africa. This somewhat ambiguous statement has not soothed the fears of the anti-republicans. The English-speaking community which is estimated at just under half of the white population, is anxious to see the bonds with the British Crown maintained and is afraid for the status of their mother-tongue, even though Dr. Verwoerd has declared that no suppression of the English language would be permitted. The Nationalists dream of reviving the Afrikanerdom which was the principle on which the Boer republics of the Transvaal and Orange Free State were set up at the end of the last century.

However, the future of the republic may not be a question for South Africa alone to decide. There is a possibility that while the independent non-white states of the Commonwealth (who, with Nigeria, now outnumber the white members) would not expel the present Union of South Africa from the club, they might not want to accept a South African Republic when it requests readmission, in view of its racialist policy. Indeed, the referendum may prove a threat to the Commonwealth itself. Some of the dissenting non-white states might even consider seceding from the Commonwealth should South Africa be readmitted as a result of pressure from Great Britain and some of the older members, who feel that they can influence South Africa as long as she is still part of the Commonwealth.

What is already clear is that if the referendum goes in favour of the republic, as it may well do, the Nationalist Government will go full speed ahead with its implementation. A draft constitution is already being drawn up but as no details have been released, the public will be casting its vote blindfold from this point of view. If the republic is turned down, the government will probably go to the country on the sole issue of the republic.

For countries outside the Commonwealth, it is a purely domestic matter whether South Africa becomes a republic or not, since any sovereign state is at liberty to choose whatever form of statehood it desires. What does concern them is the fate of the African population being relegated to unviable "bantustans" and whether or not a republic will bring South Africa even closer to a state of violence.

Floods in France
LIMOGES (Southwest France) (Reuter). — France put a "National disaster" plan into operation yesterday when three overflowing rivers flooded a big area of the southwest. At least three persons have been drowned and hundreds driven from their homes.

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Laos Gov't To Negotiate With Left Forces

VIENTIANE (AP). — Premier Prince Souvanna Phouma said a cheering crowd of 4,000 demonstrators on Tuesday that he will start negotiations within the next few days with the pro-Communist Pathet Lao rebels to end the six-year Laotian civil war.

Prince Souvanna said he would not negotiate with the pro-Western rebel regime of Gen. Phoumi Nosavan. The demonstration, organized by the leftist Laotian Youth Party and supporters of parliamentarianist Capt. Kong Le, who put the Prince in power, was aimed at putting pressure on the neutralist Government to come to terms with the Pathet Lao.

But the Prime Minister, smiling and puffing meditatively at his pipe, turned the organized heckling into cheers in a day of two open peace talks with his half-brother Prince Souvanna Vong, leader of the Pathet Lao, seen afterwards. He assured his listeners there was no need for U.N. or State intervention in Laos.

Debre Hits Back At U.N. 'Hypocrisy'

PARIS. — Premier Michel Debre flew back from Algeria yesterday. He had been there for Monday's second anniversary of the start of President de Gaulle's Constantine Plan for the economic and social development of Algeria.

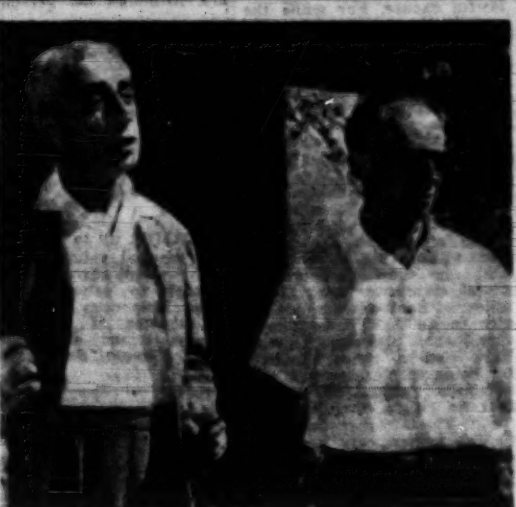
Addressing civil servants and officers in Constantine on Monday, M. Debre criticized the current U.N. Assembly, calling it "this astonishing concert of hypocrisy and bad faith." He declared: "We see the right to control self-determination in Algeria demanded by chiefs of state or of government who have signed none of the U.N. resolutions, who are engaged in the immense work of economic development and human fraternity undertaken by de Gaulle, by the state or by government who should blush in the misery and humiliation under which their own peoples groan."

Prior to returning home from Algeria, M. Debre announced that a Moslem will soon be appointed as Algeria's Director of Agriculture. The appointment, he said, would "underline the importance of social and intellectual promotion."

South Africans Vote On Republic Today

JOHANNESBURG (AP). — Opposition forces worked feverishly on Tuesday to produce a record turnout of voters in today's national referendum. They consider it their best hope for defeating the Nationalist Government's proposal to convert South Africa from a constitutional monarchy under the British crown to a republic which might leave the British Commonwealth.

Voting is in 180 constituencies in South Africa and six in South-West Africa. It is unlikely that the final results will be known until Thursday afternoon. Winding up his campaign in Pretoria on Monday, Mr. Verwoerd cited Israel as a country which had "to work with its hands as well as its head. In a small land, mostly desert, a State had to be built which could become strong only if it could house large numbers. Man, woman and child, they built the future for that land and defended it with a weapon, one hand and a plough in the other."



Pinhas Lavon (left) with Mr. Ephraim Evron of Selah Bunch (who was his secretary when Minister of Defence) seen leaving the office of the Knesset Speaker in the Tel Aviv Knesset after yesterday's meeting of the Foreign Affairs and Security Committee.

LAVON REQUESTS REVIEW BY POLITICAL BODY

TEL AVIV. — Mr. Pinhas Lavon, Secretary-General of the Histadrut, in a statement to the press yesterday, claimed that his resignation in 1955 had been due to political, not legal, causes, and that his claims should be examined by a political body such as the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Security Committee, and not by a court of law.

For two hours yesterday he presented his case before the Knesset Security Committee, which met in Tel Aviv. He will answer members' questions at the next meeting of the Committee, scheduled tentatively for Tuesday next.

The official statement of the committee said only that Mr. Lavon "made a statement" and that he "will be present at the next meeting of the committee." Unofficial reports were scarce last night, as the committee members are bound to secrecy.

It was understood, however, that Mr. Lavon's specific in his attacks on certain members of the defence organization during 1954, whom he accused of wilfully misleading him — a fact which, he said, had made his resignation unavoidable. The name of Mr. S. Pines, then Director-General of the Ministry of Defence, is believed to have been repeatedly mentioned by Mr. Lavon as one of the persons responsible for his resignation.

Resignation Reaction
The reaction of the committee members to Mr. Lavon's charges was, in general, extremely restrained yesterday. The parties have still not made up their mind whether to consider the "Lavon Affair" as simply a case of a man who asks for the righting of an alleged wrong done to him five years ago — or whether it is a part of a major political affair.

Mapai leaders seem anxious to persuade Mr. Lavon to treat his case as a personal matter, promising the fullest consideration if he succeeds in proving his contentions. Others say that Mr. Lavon is in no need of personal rehabilitation and is pursuing major political aims. An intimation of what Mr. Lavon might have told the committee is contained in the statement which he issued to the press in the evening, containing a reply to a statement made on Sunday by Prime Minister Ben-Gurion. Mr. Lavon declares here that the circumstances leading to his resignation were not factual but political, and that the matter requires review not by a court of law — as the Prime Minister had suggested — but an inquiry in a political forum, such as the Knesset.

Pilot's Suicide Leads to Further UAR-Jordan Rift

An Amman announcement yesterday that the Syrian MIG pilot who landed in Jordan last Wednesday had committed suicide, led to a renewed Cairo Radio blast against the Hussein regime.

Amman Radio said that the Jordan Ambassador in Cairo was summoned to the Acting UAR Foreign Minister and presented with a list of complaints against the Jordan Government, with an indication that relations between the two countries may be disrupted.

An official communique released over Cairo Radio called the Syrian pilot, Adnan Madani, "a holy martyr" who was martyred by his Jordanian captors and "had no other way than to take his own life."

Jordan had previously announced that Madani had flown his MIG-17 jet to take refuge in its territory, but the UAR claims that he had been forced to land in Jordan. The pilot shot himself dead with a revolver in the Amman Officers Club just before the time of a press conference he was to have given.

Cairo Radio's "Voice of the Arabs" charged that Madani was "hunted in an attempt to force him to give a new conference and denounce the Hussein regime, but that he had refused to do so and then committed suicide."

The Jordan envoy in Cairo was presented with these complaints: Jordan is massing troops in the north; one Egyptian and two Palestinian employees of the UAR Embassy in Amman have disappeared; UAR Embassy officials are being obstructed in their duties.

Amman denied any troop concentrations. It said the Egyptian official had asked for asylum in Jordan and the Palestinians who are Jordan citizens were arrested on "false" criminal charges. It denied the third charge.

Palestine Solution Up To U.N. — Hussein
NEW YORK. — King Hussein of Jordan yesterday made efforts to "drive Israel into the sea," declaring that he believed that "the best solution of the Palestine question" was "going to be solved anyway in due course by the signing of a peace treaty" between East Germany and the Soviet Union, Ulbricht said.

K, Macmillan Have 'Productive' Talks on Road to Disarmament

'Business, Not Acrimony'

Ulbricht Says U.S. Must Quit Germany

BERLIN (AP). — East German President Walter Ulbricht said yesterday that the withdrawal of U.S. troops from Germany.

He said West Germany had been created as a separatist state by the Americans as a base for aggression. Addressing his remarks directly to President Eisenhower, he said: "Give West Germany its freedom at last. Take away your troops."

The Communist leader was speaking in Parliament for the first time as Chief of State. He took over last month after the death of President Wilhelm Pieck.

He insisted that his is the only legal German state and the West German Federal Republic is illegal.

'Berlin is Ours'
Ulbricht repeated his claim that the whole of Berlin belongs to East Germany and is its capital. He again offered to make West Berlin a "demilitarized free city" whose freedom, he said, would be guaranteed.

The Western big three occupation of the city is illegal, he said, and the U.S., Britain and France should think over their position and decide to "get rid of the Berlin military bastions around their necks."

The Berlin question is "going to be solved anyway in due course by the signing of a peace treaty" between East Germany and the Soviet Union, Ulbricht said.

Meir Postpones Assembly Address

UNITED NATIONS (INA). — The Israeli Foreign Minister, Mrs. Golda Meir, will not address the General Assembly Wednesday as originally planned. The date of her speech is not yet known.

Salam Hits Zionist Immigration Policy

UNITED NATIONS (Reuter). — Premier Salah Salam of the Lebanon told the General Assembly on Tuesday that "perhaps the most explosive aspect of Zionist ideology" was the policy of "unlimited Zionist immigration into Palestine."

He asserted that this policy aimed at the "artificial uprooting of established Jewish communities in every part of the world to swell the ranks of the Israeli population." He added this was "a purely mischievous policy" which could end only in disaster.

Salam backed Mr. Dag Hammarskjold in his post as Secretary-General and his actions in the Congo. He reaffirmed the Lebanese policy of neutrality between the two great power blocs.

U.S. LOANS \$5M. TO SYRIAN BANK

WASHINGTON (AP). — The U.S. signed an agreement on Tuesday to lend \$5 million of Development Loan Fund money to the Industrial Bank of the Syrian Region of the UAR.

NEW YORK. — "Very productive" was how Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev described his 55-minute meeting yesterday evening with British Prime Minister Harold Macmillan. A British source said the main topic was "disarmament and how to get on with it."

The Soviet and British Premiers emerged smiling from the latter's suite at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, shook hands and posed for photographers in front of the building.

On entering the hotel for meeting with Mr. Macmillan, the Soviet Premier was escorted by a crowd of several hundred. But he revealed no emotion as he walked the few steps from his car to the hotel lobby, escorted by dozens of Russian and U.S. security officers and New York police.

Mr. Macmillan is due to fly back to London this evening while Mr. Khrushchev is expected to stay on for at least another week and may address the U.N. General Assembly yet again.

The Russian leader, looking back for Lord Home, the British Foreign Secretary who was caught in a crush of officials and newsmen, quipped to Mr. Macmillan: "We've lost the Lord."

Mr. Khrushchev refused to speak to newsmen or step to waiting microphones on leaving the Towers. After a final handshake with Mr. Macmillan and a wave to Lord Home, who had emerged from the crowd, the Communist leader stepped into his limousine and drove off.

But on entering his headquarters on Park Avenue, he told reporters "our meeting was very productive."

Then, laughing and pointing to Mr. Andre Gromyko, his Foreign Minister, Mr. Khrushchev remarked: "As you can see, we returned safe and sound."

The Press Secretary to the British U.N. delegation said that the "long and useful discussion" between the two leaders had centered "almost entirely" on disarmament. The meeting, he said, was "very businesslike and not acrimonious," and dealt with "disarmament and how to get on with it."

Atro-Asians Hold Urgent Session
UNITED NATIONS. — President Khrushchev of Ghana, Premier Nehru of India as well as Abdul Nasser last night addressed a hastily-summoned meeting of delegations of African and Asian countries, some of whom are anxious to form a bloc of votes to compete with the Western and Soviet-led groups.

Nasser was due to leave New York for home last night after a 10-day stay in New York.

President Sekou Toure of Guinea left Conakry by air last night on his way here to head his country's delegation.



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 Haifa: Partly Cloudy, 18-25
 Tel Aviv: Partly Cloudy, 18-25
 Beer Sheva: Partly Cloudy, 18-25
 Eilat: Partly Cloudy, 18-25
 A) Humidity at 4 p.m. B) Wind velocity at 4 p.m. C) Today's temperature forecast.

ARRIVALS
 The French Ambassador, M. Jean A. Boudet, and his wife, Mrs. Boudet, arrived in Jerusalem from Paris on Sunday morning. They will be in the city for a few days before leaving for Haifa.

DEPARTURES
 Ambassador F. E. Shinar, Head of the Israel Reparations Mission in Cologne to West Germany, will leave for his home in New York on Sunday morning. Mrs. Hanna Shinar, Executive Member of the Jewish Agency, will accompany him.

THE EXPORT BANK
 recently opened an agency in London, under the direction of Dr. Y. Weisberg. The London "Financial Times" reported that the bank is planning to open branches in other European cities.

AN EXHIBITION
 of paintings and gouaches by Elihu Gikard, painted over the past five years, was opened at the Helena Rubinstein Pavilion of the Tel Aviv Museum yesterday.

MEMORIAL MEETING FOR ARYE SHENKAR
 Jerusalem Post Reporter
 TEL AVIV. — Leading industrialists and civic leaders gathered in the assembly hall of the Manufacturers' Association last night to pay tribute to the memory of the late Arye Shenkar, who died last week.

Israel Dubnov Dies Suddenly
 BEERSHEVA. — Israel Dubnov, chief of personnel of the Beersheva Municipality, died suddenly this evening from heart failure.

DR. EPHRAIM FELIX BORNESTEIN
 The funeral will leave 214 Hospital today, October 6, at 1 p.m. for Haifa.

Succot Booths Dot the Land

Jerusalem Post Staff
 The eight-day holiday of Succot will be marked in all sundown this evening with many Israelis preparing to celebrate the holiday in the traditional manner by taking their meals in succot (booths) to commemorate both the sojourn of the Israelites in the desert and the end of the harvest season.

Jerusalem Price
 The Jerusalem Municipality has offered a prize for the best succot.

Exploration Society Meets Next Week
 The annual three-day conference of the Israel Exploration Society, which opens in Jerusalem today, will concentrate on the archaeological work done in many fields in "Eretz Israel" this year.

MAURICE CAREY
 of Kilmacshige, was sentenced to Ashmun Magistrate's Court yesterday for four months imprisonment for attacking a policeman who arrested him for causing a public disturbance.

FOUR SHIPS arrived in Haifa Port yesterday with a total of about 1,200 passengers, among them a large number of immigrants and tourists.

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Eban Offers Unesco Israel Personnel

Jerusalem Post Reporter
By MAURICE CAREY
 Jerusalem Post Correspondent
 PARIS. — An offer of Israel personnel for Unesco technical aid programmes in several emerging countries was made by Minister of Education Abba Eban when accompanied by Ambassador Walter Eytan, co-chairman of the Director-General of the U.N. Economic, Social and Cultural Organization, Mr. Victor Gollancz, here yesterday.

TEENAGE TRAFFIC VICTIM Dies in Hospital
 HADERA. — Eighteen-year-old Yigal Tukler, a senior at the local secondary school, died early Tuesday morning after a car accident.

Upper Volta Mission Leaves
 The problems of irrigation, modernization and farmers' education are among Upper Volta's main economic problems and it is likely that cooperation with Israel will develop along these lines.

Missing Holon Files Point to Embroidment
 TEL AVIV. — Files and documents missing from the Holon Municipality archives appear to be linked to an embezzlement of city funds, a spokesman of the Municipality told the Jerusalem Post yesterday.

West German Youths To Work at Kibbutz
 HAIFA. — A group of 31 young people from West Germany, students of the Pedagogische Akademie of Kettwig, near Essen, arrived yesterday for a four-week visit.

Child Must Retain Real Father's Name
 A child's hardships caused by his parents' divorce are not deemed sufficient cause to deny the father's right to have his son bear his name, Judge M. Ben-Porat ruled yesterday in Jerusalem District Court.

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Servatius to See Hausner Today

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TEL AVIV. — Dr. Robert Servatius, the Cologne lawyer who is to defend Adolf Eichmann, said on arrival here early yesterday that he had full confidence in the Israel court before which the trial will be held.

Who's Responsible For Bad Roads?
 The question of State responsibility for damages caused by lack of highway maintenance was raised in a leading case brought before the Supreme Court body consisting of five Justices.

Disabled Athletes Back from Olympics
 HAIFA. — Israel's delegation to the Olympic Games for disabled athletes returned from Rome yesterday with several silver medals and the satisfaction of having made an excellent showing among the teams of 23 nations comprising over 500 invalid sportsmen.

Haifa Man Jailed For Espionage
 HAIFA. — A 23-year-old Haifa resident, Avraham Eisman, was yesterday sentenced to a three-year prison term by the District Court for handing over information of security value to Lebanese intelligence officers at the end of last year.

New Gov't Year Book Published
 Jerusalem Post Reporter
 The new 1960/61 Government Year-Book was presented to the press in Jerusalem yesterday.

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Search for Child

Jerusalem Post Reporter
BEERSHEVA. — Three hundred policemen from as far as Ramat and Pith Tava, two police officers, police dogs, and police volunteers yesterday continued throughout the day the search for five-year-old Weissmann Shira, who has been missing since 9 a.m. Monday.

Three Stowaways Sail With Ship from Eilat
 EILAT. — Three port workers were discovered as stowaways aboard the a.s. Captain Andromeda, which sailed yesterday for the Far East.

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Williams' Planetary Holiday Schedule
 Sky Shows in the Williams Planetaryarium are scheduled as follows during the intermediate days of Succot, Friday, at 11 a.m.; Sunday to Tuesday, at 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. and Wednesday at 11 a.m.

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Indonesia's Dictatorship by Document

Sukarno Has Introduced Brand of National Socialism

By DENNIS BLOODWORTH

SINGAPORE

PRESIDENT Sukarno, who

has been accompanied to

the United Nations session

in New York by a party of

more than 50 Indonesians, has

taken along with him both

Dipa Nusantara Aidit, Secre-

tary-General of the PKI (Indo-

nesian Communist Party), and

General Abdul Haris Na-

tion, Minister for National

Security and Army Chief-of-

Staff.

Staunch tongues may

claim that Sukarno has re-

moved these two bitter po-

litical enemies from Jakarta

to Sukarno's residence in

the Indonesian capital, but

at each other's throats in his

absence. For Sukarno, how-

ever, their presence in New

York exemplifies the Indo-

nesian national principle of

cooperation and mutual

help which, he has said, has

old ideas of political oppo-

sition and conflict.

Aidit and the strongly

anti-Communist General now

find themselves members of

the same club.

According to Sukarno's

political manifesto, Com-

munist and Moslem must

work together to realize "In-

doonesian socialism."

"Indonesian socialism" may

be described as a progressive

and revolutionary variation

of the Indonesian national

principle of cooperation and

mutual help. In order to achieve

it, Sukarno has destroyed the

last vestige of liberal democracy

in Indonesia, and has laid

the foundation of a mono-

politic political structure. No

opposition to his manifesto

is allowed. Indonesia today

is under the dictatorship of

a document.

These developments have

international significance, for

in New York Sukarno will

hold up his "revolutionary

manifesto" to the Afro-Asian

States, and notably to the

new African States, whose

admission now tilts the bal-

ance within the U.N. General

Assembly.

Anti-Colonialist

Sukarno's concept is funda-

mentally anti-imperialist and

anti-colonialist. But it is even

more important to note that

whether his new set of rules

does not therefore neutralize

the forces of anti-Communi-

sm and ultimately give the

game to the PKI.

Sukarno is often accused

of favouring the Communists,

and while it is true that his

emotional anti-colonialism per-

petuates him to lend an ear

to them, the accusation is

not just. His socialism is

strictly nationalistic, and he

has frowned on the tendency

of the PKI to side with Com-

munist China in the quarrel

between Jakarta and Peking.

that has developed over the

Government has on Chinese

traders in the rural areas

of Indonesia.

Sukarno has formed the

National Front, a mass or-

ganization designed to har-

ness the millions to his cam-

paign for "Indonesian social-

ism." In the face of Com-

munist disapproval (the PKI

and other political parties

see in the National Front an

ultimate threat to their in-

dividual existence). A simi-

lar project for the creation

of a United Indonesian Work-

ers' Organization has also

been condemned by SOBSI,

the Communist trade union

organization. Moreover, Su-

karno's plan for land reform

is closer to those imple-

mented in anti-Communist

Asian States than the practice

in China or other socialist

countries.

Symbiotic Relationship

The relationship between

Sukarno and the Communists

is symbiotic rather than sen-

titimental. The Communists

have recognized that Sukarno

holds a position of unique

prestige and power among

the Indonesian masses. They

have therefore given him

their loyalty and have won

his sympathy in return. By

virtue of his *gotong royong*

policy which demands the co-

operation of all main po-

litical groups, the Communists

in their turn have gained

seats in all the highest organs

of the State.

Today, the fates of the

Communists and the Presi-

dent are intertwined. Sukarno

knows that if the six-million-

strong Communist party

turned against him, he would

be finished. The Communists

on their side realize that,

given the enmity of the army,

they are dependent upon the

patronage and protection of

Sukarno.

Their current worry is that

something will happen to up-

set the present equilibrium.

The army has periodically

banished its newspapers, ar-

rested and interrogated their

leading cadres, prevented them

from holding meetings, and

Sukarno. It is reported is

trying to disrupt SOBSI. The

PKI is prepared to accept all

such minor plinkings with

patience, as long as the

party is allowed to remain

legal. Their great fear is

that the army leaders will

try to ban the party or even

to remove Sukarno from of-

fice.

Sukarno has recently shown

that he can still call the

leaders of the army to heel,

but the Communists know

that the army constitutes a

formidable opponent. The

only effective and coherent

control exercised throughout

the republic is provided by

the military administration.

Two out of five members of

the inner Cabinet are army

men, and eight out of 20

junior and deputy Ministers

have been drawn from the

armed forces. The current

policy of the Government is

economic and political, as

well as military, power into

the hands of the generals and

colonels.

Prices Rising

PKI leaders believe that

the Indonesian masses will

be increasingly attracted to

the deteriorating eco-

nomical situation in the re-

public, and that their party

will thereby gain considerable

ground when general elec-

tions are held in 1962. The

campaign to supply the basic

necessities of life to the mil-

lions of Indonesians—food

and clothing—has so far

failed. The price of rice con-

tinues to soar, and there are

long queues in the main

towns for such essential items

as paraffin, with which nine-

tenths of Indonesia cooks.

There is a shortage of cloth-

ing, and it is almost prohib-

itively expensive.

But the catch is this: Su-

karno, determined to be in-

doonesian undisputed leader,

has abolished democratic

practice and gathered all the

reins of power into his own

hands. Consequently, there is

a growing tendency to blame

Sukarno for the economic

crisis. He is reported to be

growing more and more

disillusioned with the

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weight of work and responsi-

bility he has assumed, some

political leaders in Indonesia

go so far as to prophesy that,

disgusted with his thankless

task, he will shortly slough

off much of his new-found

power.

This prediction should no

doubt be treated with reserve,

but his Afro-Asian audience

in the United Nations would

do well to remember some-

thing that even the Commu-

nists, his most loyal allies,

foresee that Sukarno's In-

doonesian will end with Sukarno;

that the military State, and

its "Guided Democracy" will

die when he dies, or resigns,

or is removed from office.

His policy of "gotong royong"

may synthesize the opposing

arguments of political anti-

communists in Indonesia, but

it cannot remove the antago-

nism.

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HUSSEIN AND NASSER

Devar (Hindustan) writes:

"It is likely that after

King Hussein's remarks the

participants in the General

Assembly will be able to

place greater faith in the words

of the Israeli representatives

about the fatal role played

by Nasser in the Middle

East. It is to be regretted

that King Hussein did not

have sufficient courage to

clearly dissociate himself

from Nasserite demagoguery

on the question of Israel.

Commenting on the agree-

ment between Jordan and

Israel, the paper declares:

"The recognition is a hint

of the possibility of the de-

velopment of a new Jordanian

front against Egyptian

hegemony in the Arab

League and in the Arab

world as a whole. It is

not surprising that Nasser

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A Nun's Letters Rediscovered

EMOTION

And from this German version the five letters were

put into Hebrew by an anonymous Hebrew poet during 1945-1947. They were not to go to press in 1948 just as the War of Independence broke out. Somehow, an editor quite knows when, the little book of this poet was in the light during that fatal war-torn spring at the printing presses of Kibbutz Meshava.

Recently I tried to trace this Hebrew version of these masterpieces but was unable to locate a single copy in Jerusalem's several libraries. On the verge of despair, I was about to contact a dealer in incunabula and antiquities in London, where the lectures in Portuguese literature at the Hebrew University were held, when I happened to remember that a copy of a rare edition ought still to be found in the University Library on Mount Scopus. A professor was kind enough to go up to Mount Scopus under U.N. auspices — to locate the copies and bring them "down" to us.

Scholarship

comparative law, all with the aim of reviving Jewish law as an active ingredient in Jewish life.

For Jewish law, argued Zuriel, is as integral a part of Jewish culture as is religion and ethics.

Worth preserving as well is the story of the life-activities of great East European personalities, which he regarded as themselves as inspiration and hope for the future. An instance of such is the evaluation of the life of the rabbi given by Dr. Arye Tartakower. A great spiritual leader, one of the first of the modern rabbis, he was also a prominent national leader of Galicia in Poland, the prime mover in the establishment of a whole network of Jewish schools, primary and secondary schools in Poland with Hebrew as the language of instruction in the high schools.

In the Jewish curriculum, the progenitor of the Institute of Jewish Studies in Warsaw, Brode's work is well remembered.

So, too, are such names in Jewish education as Rabbi

even more important, highlights the basic difference in approach of East European scholars, as opposed to West European, to Jewish scientific study. Whereas it can gener-

...sabbath was in Lithuania, where the Gans of Vilna himself was the forerunner, in a very important sense, of modern critical research. It is surprising and most informative to note, therefore, that the greater part of the more than 80 personalities written about in the present work originated in Eastern Galicia and its surroundings. One stands in awe at the learning, scholarship and leadership which hailed from this part of Jewish Europe.

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